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To the Committee of Management of Amersley Hall.

This, the first formal report of the Drain of Residence, of Amersley Hall, will endeavor to give as frank, truthful, and concise an explanation as possible of the internal management of Amersley Hall.

We rejoice to inform the Committee that our Hall is filled with students, of whom thirty-three are <sup>undergraduate</sup> ~~full arts~~ students of Victoria, nine occasional students of Victoria including Mrs Kaff who is <sup>instructor of physical culture</sup> ~~also an officer~~, eight University College students, and five music students, making in all fifty-five, who with the Drain and Director of Household make a total of fifty-seven residents excluding servants. Until Sept. first no students but Victoria ones were assigned rooms, after that date rooms were assigned <sup>to all applicants</sup> in order of application. There is a waiting list on which are six names, and four or five other applicants have been turned away.



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2<sup>nd</sup>. The rooms ~~are~~ <sup>are</sup> graded in price, according to the recommendation of the Committee meeting in Sept. There are eight - double rooms in which the rate is \$4.00 per week, or \$132 for the year, and the average of the single rooms is \$167 for the year, two dollars more than at the rate of \$5.00 per week. These prices <sup>don't</sup> include ~~all~~ <sup>extra</sup> except laundry, but do include physical culture. The fees are to be paid in two payments in advance one half Oct 1<sup>st</sup>, one half Feb 1<sup>st</sup>. Students not at Victoria pay ten dollars a year more than the students. There are eleven students holding Longscholarships.

3<sup>rd</sup>. There are two classes in physical culture in the day, one at 8.10 - 8.40, the other from 11 - 11.30, meeting every day <sup>Sunday</sup> ~~on the week~~ except Saturday. ~~Only~~ <sup>Only</sup> ~~As before~~ <sup>As before</sup> with the fourth year young ladies physical culture is optional, but we are glad to say <sup>all</sup> ~~only~~ <sup>all</sup> young ladies in the Hall except one are availing themselves of ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup> privilege. <sup>of the gym.</sup> The classes are interesting, and are well attended.

4<sup>th</sup>. The house rules are as follows.

2. Rising bell	6.45
Breakfast	7.20
Prayers	8.00 - 8.10
Phy cult.	8.10 - 8.40

Phy cult.	11 - 11.30
Lunch	12.45.
Dinner	6.15.
Prayers	7 - 7.10



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- II. House lights are extinguished at 10, students. Lights not later than eleven. It is requested that every student on leaving her own room or the bathroom extinguish the light.
- III. No pins may be put in the walls, or furniture in any way injured.
- IV. Students will tidy & dust their own rooms, & make their own beds.
- V. Waste paper baskets are supplied, but kindly put all skins or refuse of junk in a paper that can be removed by the maid.
- VI. Be careful to put no waste materials in any of the bath rooms.
- VII. The telephone is private, but any one requiring message sent may leave it with the Draught or the Director of the Household. Messages received will be recorded by the parlour maid, and delivered. Persons are allowed to use the telephone between seven and eight in the evening.
- VIII. Prayers. There will be morning and evening prayers after breakfast and dinner respectively. In the



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morning scripture will be read in the dining-room, the residents will rise at the close of the reading, and repeat the Lord's prayer. In the evening, the students will gather in the Assembly Hall, & will stand until the Dean and Directors are seated. The Dean & Directors, and guests, if any, will precede the students to the Assembly Hall, and at the close of prayers, the students will pass out before the visiting officers of the Hall. Undergraduates are requested to wear their gowns.

IX. The east entrance is to be used by students until dinner hour.

X. Visitors - Students may take their own young lady friends to their rooms during the morning if they wish to study, but other visitors should come between three and six. Students may take their girl friends to their rooms in the afternoon, but no visitor is permitted to go to a student's room without being personally guided there by the student herself. Formal calling days for the students are 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays, gentlemen may call on 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Friday evenings from 7-10.

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Students may entertain guests at breakfast, lunch or dinner, by the payment of 10. 15. 25. respectively.

XI. Residents of Assembly Hall are trusted to go where they desire before dinner. After dinner, the east entrance will be closed and residents will please speak with the Dean & Director of Household before leaving the building. All are to return before ten, except where special permission is granted by the Dean. It is suggested, that as far as possible all visiting of friends be limited to Saturdays so that the early part of the week may be devoted to study.

XII. Young ladies may go to the laundry on Saturdays and do such washing and ironing as they please, provided always they leave the laundry in order.

XIII. On Sunday evenings there will be service for the young ladies in the Hall, but this service will be withdrawn where there are special prominent speakers in the lecture withdrawn at the discretion of the Dean. The



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Young ladies may invite their college friends, gentlemen ladies & gentlemen after church, providing always that a reverent spirit be maintained, and that such calls do not degenerate into a social reception.

XIV. In conclusion, every young lady is asked to conduct herself, as a Christian, and a lady, with courtesy to every one in the home, and self control over her own self, to do those things which are right and true.

Fifth - We have thus far to report a successful and happy household. The young ladies have shown themselves worthy of the trust put in them, and <sup>appreciating</sup> the kindness, ~~and~~ liberality and self-sacrifice of the ladies who have made for them this delightful and inspiring home.



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Additions to the Report.

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I. Miss Lepatinkoff desires to form one or more circles in French and German conversation in Amesley Hall, for a modest fee per person. Will this be permissible?

II. Some of our students are tutoring fellow students. Miss Dona Stewart receives private lessons in Eng. Comp., Eng. Gram. from one of the students, and lessons in Arithmetic from the Dean. Another group, Lady and two others in German or English is tutored in French and German, these lessons are given in the students' own private room, except in one case of tutoring in music which is done in one of the practice rooms.

III. One room in the wing to the north is used entirely for practice. For some time the piano in the music room was used a few hours a day for practice, but that piano has been



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remained to another room in the wing, so that  
now there is no practice except in the wing, &  
occasionally in the gymnasium. The lounge  
where students may use the piano in the music room  
for public singing, and their own amusement are  
restricted. There is to be no use of it Jan 9-12,  
2-5, and after 7.30 in the evening.





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